Ouabache State Park

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Interpretive Naturalist: Kate Curless



All interpretive programs are family oriented. Parents and children are encouraged to attend events together. An adult should accompany all children under the age of 10. In case of rain, all hikes and events not meeting at a shelter will be held at the Campview Shelter.

To pre-register for Fall Festival events either call 260-824-0926 Monday through Friday between 8 am and 4:30 pm or email Naturalist Kate at OuabacheInterp@dnr.IN.gov.

Campsite Decorating Contest:

Go wild! Use Autumn or Halloween as your theme and decorate your campsite with lights and props to be a winner. We encourage everyone to participate. Saturday evening you'll do the judging. Winners will be announced at 9:15 pm Saturday night at the Fall Festival Fair!

Pumpkin Painting Contest:

We'll supply the Paint – You supply the Pumpkin! Enter your creation at the Fall Fair Saturday night for judging. Age classes include under 7, 7 – 14, 15 – 18 and adult. Pumpkins must be dropped off at the Campview Shelter by 5:00 pm.

Friday, October 24, 2008

6:00 pm – Canoe Hike

Boat House

Join Naturalist Kate for a short canoe trip around Lake Kunkel to learn more about aquatic life and enjoy the beauty of the season from the water. Individuals wishing to go on this trip must rent or bring their own canoe.

7:30 pm – Winter Feeder

Campview Shelter

Winter is when many birds need the most help. Learn about the different types of birds you can bring to your feeders during the winter months. Then we'll create some suet for our own feeders. Please bring the bottom of a square milk container or a small Tupperware dish with you. **Pre-register by October 20**th. **Program fee: \$1.00**

9:30 pm – Fall Star Party

Hill by the Pool

Learn more about the night sky by enjoying an evening of star gazing with the Fort Wayne and Warsaw County Astronomical Societies. We will be meeting on the large hill next to the pool. Parking is available at the pool. A blanket, or chair and bug spray is recommended.

Saturday, October 25, 2008

9:30 am – Honey Tasting

Campview Shelter

Fall is a time for harvest. Discover how honeybees create the sweet treat that many of us use. Then taste some of the many varieties of honey you can find in local markets! **Pre-register by October 20**th.

11:00 am – Potluck Harvest Soup – Drop off

Campview Shelter

Bring in some of your harvest to create a delicious vegetable soup for all to enjoy. We'll toss all the goodies into a kettle to slow cook over the fire. By 6:00 tonight it will be ready for us to chow down.

2:00 pm – Pumpkin Decorating

Campview Shelter

The paint will be ready for you to create your own pumpkin masterpiece to enter in the Pumpkin Decorating Contest later tonight. Please bring your own pumpkin and any special supplies you may want.



4:30 – 6:00 pm – Trick or Treating

Campground

Campers – be prepared for some ghoulish visitors in search of tasty treats. All roads in the campground will be closed to traffic during this time, so please make necessary arrangements. The safety of the children is our top priority! **Pre-register by October 20**th to allow us to let campers know how many visitors to expect.

6:00 pm – Potluck Harvest Soup Dinner

Campview Shelter

After slow cooking all day, we'll be ready to dive into our pot of vegetable beef soup! Pre-register by October 15th. Program fee: \$3.00 per person or 2 + lbs of fresh cleaned and chopped vegetables.

7:00 pm – Hayrides

Campground

Take a short hayride around the campground to check out all of the decorations.

7:30 pm – Fall Festival Fair

Campview Shelter

Pull on your Halloween costumes and join us for a little old fashion fun as we celebrate autumn. Games galore, and refreshments, including Popcorn will be just some of the night's fun. Make sure you stick around to for the announcement of the campsite and pumpkin decorating contest winners!